

## **MEDIA ADVISORY**

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## West Nile Virus Update #2 July 13, 2004

Note to news editors and reporters: This is a weekly media advisory to provide updated information about West Nile virus activity in North Dakota. Updates will be sent every Tuesday afternoon throughout the WNV season.

BISMARCK, N.D. – The North Dakota Department of Health today reported that no additional West Nile virus positive cases were identified this past week. The total number of all positive cases in North Dakota identified with West Nile virus infection remains at 20 birds.

The following is a summary of West Nile virus activity to date:

- Human cases -0
  - Total humans tested 208
- WNV-positive dead birds 3
  - Total dead birds tested 243
- WNV-positive live birds 17
  - o Total live birds tested 260
- Counties with birds identified with WNV infection 7
  - o Billings, Cass, Divide, Golden Valley, Grant, Hettinger, Williams
- WNV-positive horses 0
  - Total horses tested 22
- WNV-positive mosquito pools 0
  - $\circ$  Total mosquito pools tested -0

For more information, including a fact sheet about personal protection recommendations, visit the North Dakota West Nile virus website at www.ndwnv.com

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